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NEW BOOKS.

The Calculus. By Ellery W. Davis and W. C. Brenke. New York: The Macmillan Company. Pp. 447. \$2.00 net.

The authors of this book have endeavored to make the subject vivid, tangible, and convincing to the student. Rigorous forms of demonstration are not always insisted upon as they would be beyond the grasp of the student. The traditional methods of treating some topics have been replaced by others, such as the proof of the formula for the derivative of a logarithm, and some topics usually given little or no prominence have been brought to the foreground, such as simple harmonic motion, Cavalieri's theorem and others. Practical applications are abundant throughout and a large number of exercises makes a selection possible. It is a carefully written book.

Elementary Textbook on the Calculus. By VIRGIL SNYDER and JOHN IRWIN HUTCHINSON. New York: The American Book Company. Pp. 384. \$2.20.

This book is designed particularly for students in engineering and science, for whom a brief but adequate introduction to the calculus is prescribed. In recognition of the demand for a book that shall limit the study to a minimum of time and to the topics that are deemed of most immediate use to the professional course for which the student is preparing, the authors have made a special effort to present the calculus in as simple and direct a form as possible, consistent with accuracy and thoroughness. Every chapter is followed by a generous list of examples, many of which are new and all appropriate to the particular question involved.

Lectures on the Theory of Elliptic Functions. By HARRIS HANCOCK.

Vol. I., Analysis. New York: John Wiley and Sons. Pp. 521.

\$5.00 net.

The plan of this work is to have three volumes as follows: I. Analysis, II. Applications to Problems in Geometry and Mechanics, III. General Arithmetic and Higher Algebra.

In the exposition of Volume I., the Analysis of the Elliptic Functions, Professor Hancock has made fundamental a differential equation which he calls the eliminant equation. This equation is used to ascertain whether a function in reality has an algebraic addition-theorem and, further, as shown by Hermite, the integrals of this equation are the elliptic functions in the sense defined by Weierstrass. The problem of inversion is also thereby solved in a remarkably simple manner.

The chapter headings are as follows: Preliminary Notions, Functions which have Algebraic Addition-theorems, The Existence of Periodic